What is Being Done by the Veterans for the Good of the Order.

BUFFALO ENCAMPMENT.

General Secretary D. H. Turner Writes of Preparations Being Made for the Great

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: No Encampment, with the exception of the one held in Washington in 1892, has attracted the attention of the meeting to be held here in August, and already there have been applications from over 50,000 people for accommodations. It was estimated at first that for every man, woman, and child in Buffalo there would be a visitor, but the figures have grown and the conservative G.A.R. men now expect 500,000 people here on the day of the great parade. Already special trains are being chartered by delegations from cities and towns all around Buffalo, and it is safe to say that the larger part of the population of Western New York and that part of the

Dominion near by will be in Buffalo that day. The City of Buffalo, through large and well appointed committees, is arranging to make this event the largest and most successful Encampment ever held by the organization. The best authorities in the Order, and National and State officials, who have traveled through the various Departments, predict that in numbers and splendor the Encampment this year will equal that at Washington in 1892.

ASSIGNING ACCOMMODATIONS.

Within five days after the place of meeting had been named by the St. Paul Encampment in 1896, the Buffalo Citizens' Committee had opened magnificent Headquarters in Ellicott Square and immediately commenced to prepare for the great event. As early as Sept. 10, 1896, hotel quarters had been engaged and by the 1st of October free accommodations were being assigned to Posts by the Committee on Accommodations. On Jan. 1, 1897, fully 12,000 veterans had been assigned to free quarters and nearly 3,000 veterans had engaged quarters in hotels, besides thousands who had secured private accommodations through their friends in Buffalo. Since January quarters have been secured for several thousand more. These facts are the best indicators of a large at-

tendance at this Encampment. NO OVERCHARGING. The hotels of the city are bound by a strong contract not to exceed their regular rates, nor overcrowd their rooms, and the Citizens' Com-

mittee is determined that the greatest possible satisfaction will be given every visitor, so far as they make known their intention of coming. BEAUTIFUL BADGES. The delegates' and souvenir badges have been

designed, and the souvenir book, which will be the most buique production ever shown at any Encampment and will be a work of art that will grace any library, has been designed and is in the publisher's bands. President William McKinley will be present,

as well as a large number of Governors from the Eastern, Middle, and Central States, and it is anticipated that receptions on a magnificent scale will be given.

A number of Campfires will be held in the largest halls, at which distinguished guests will speak, with the usual incidental entertainment added. Halls will be furnished for Reunions of all regimental associations, and large tents or halls will be provided for corps, brigade or division Reunions.

CAMP ON THE FRONT. A special feature of the Encampment, in which Mayor Edgar B. Jewett and Capt. J. B. Guthrie, U. S. A., are the leading spirits, will be the establishment of a camp on the Front (Buffalo's most beautiful park), situated at the foot of Lake Erie and at the source of Niagara River, on a rise of ground 50 feet above the water. The camp will be arranged to accomfeatures of a Regular Army camp-even to a sutler's tent. It will be properly guarded day and night, and there will be a fire patrol, conducted by Buffalo's Exempt Firemen's Association, who will wear the old-style fire uniform. All of the objections against former camps will be removed. It is not located on soft, muddy ground, but it is on a heavy-sodded plot, thor-

board platform. All military manuvering incidental to a camp will be done by the 13th U. S. Inf., located at Fort Porter, which immediately adjoins the camp-ground. The camp will be beautifully laid out and appropriately decorated, and is within 10 minutes' ride, by steam or electric cars, from the center of the city. The musical reputation of the city will be maintained by various vocal and instrumental

free concerts at different points in the city and at the public parks. The line of march will be over level asphalted streets, perfectly clean and mostly shaded by trees. It is expected that the illuminations will be

on a grander scale than usual-to demonstrate Buffalo's leading position as an electric city. The decorations will be on a scale equal to those of any other city where the Encampment has

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS. The local attractions of Buffalo and vicinity cannot be excelled by any city in the country. Numerous excursion trips can be taken on the lake and river for the small sum of 25 cents round trip, and the round trip to Niagera Falls, by steam or electric cars, can be taken for 50 cents. More extended trips to Chautauqua Lake, or the Thousand Islands, and down the Niagara River George, which is the most beautiful ride in the world, can be taken at low excursion rates. Within the city and on its 250 miles of asphalted streets can be found some of the most beautiful residence sections. Its 15 miles of park roads and connecting boulevards makes driving a great attraction, while its large cattle and horse markets, manufacturing interests, lake transportation (having the third largest tonnage in the world) will also prove of

great interest to visitors. ONE-CENT FABE.

The railroad rate is one cent per mile from all sections of the country, west of Buffalo, with a 30-day time limit on tickets. East of Buffalo the rate is one fare, which on the "two cent' roads is equivalent to one cent a mile. The time limit east of Buffalo is 10 days, and efforts are being made for a longer extension.

THE PROGRAM. The following is the program:

Sunday, Aug. 22-Appropriate services in

in-Chief in evening. Tuesday, Aug. 24-Parade of Naval Veterans, Ex-prisoners of War, and Sons of Vet- Q. M., Charles Wilson; Surg., Wm. Sheldon; erans, comprising about 5,000 men in line. Chap., C. V. Wilson; O. D., J. H. Eustice; O. G. Parade will move at 9:30 o'clock a. m. Arrival and escort of President McKinley in the after- John H. Garrison. The new Post is the result noon, and the Governor of New York State and

Wednesday, Aug. 25-The grand parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, starting at a new organization, with the object of recruit-

Thursday, Aug. 26-Parade of "The Soldiers of the Present," the Fourth Brigade, National Grand Army roll. Guard of the State of New York. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

and instrumental concerts and parades. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings Campfires will be held on a large scale at various central points. The most distinguished citizens of the United States will be invited to speak at each of these places, so that a large number of people can see and hear them. The Reunions of corps, brigades, division and regimental associations will begin Tuesday

morning and continue until Friday night. The receptions and entertainments will be on a large scale and in charge of Buffalo's

leading citizens.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE. The Women's Committee will entertain all

women's auxiliaries on a plan that will give street, Providence, general satisfaction to all delegates. All persons desiring accommodations either in hotels, boarding-houses, private families, or in the campor schools, should apply immediately to the committee, as quarters are being rapidly taken, and it will be difficult on arrival during the week of the Encampment to secure

acceptable places. All communications upon any subject, and all inquiries for information, must be directed to the General Secretary, G.A.R. Encampthet that will cost you nothing, except to send the flag on the topmost tip of Lookout Mountwell will receive contributions in aid of the college, ment Committee—I). H. Turner, 212 Ellicott us three yearly subscribers to The National ain, waving it over seven States and claiming for the same through the college Square, Buffalo, N. Y. TRIBUNE, at \$1 each.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

ILLINOIS .-Sandwich Post, 510, Sandwich-Com., F. S Mosher; S. V. C., Ed. Estabrook; J. V. C., C. C. Courtright; Adj't, C. H. Frost; Q. M., William Deacon; Chap., E. B. Newton; Surg., Charles Winne; O. D., F. E. Griffith; O. G., W. L.

The 18th annual Encampment of the Department of Indiana will convene at Richmond, May 12, at 10 o'clock a. m. Headquarters will be at the Hotel Wescott. The Council of Administration will meet in the Assistant Adjutant-General's room at 8 o'clock p. m. May 11. The Executive Committee of Richmond having in charge the entire arrangement of the Encampment, has organized by selecting Comrade J. S. Ostrander, Mayor of the city, as Chairman, and Comrade John W. Tingle Sec-

The Department Commander announces to the comrades that he has secured a railroad rate of one cent per mile each way, good going on May 10, 11, and 12, and returning up to and including May 14. The rate of one cent per mile is authorized by the Central Passenger Association, which covers all railroad lines in

Archer Post, 28, Princeton-Com., H. T. Carlisle; S. V. C., William M. Duncan; J. V. C., F. W. Robinson; Q. M., Hugh Hanna; Chap., J. W. Little; Surg., J. C. Hartin; O. D., C. W. Wheeler; O. G., R. M. Morton; Adj't, H. M. Lamb; S. M., J. J. Hartin. Sam Henry Post, 63, Decatur-Com., W. H

Meyers; S. V. C., A. J. Teeple; J. V. C., Jacob Yager; Chap., R. N. Andrews; Surg., Jacob Railing; Q. M., A. C. Gregory; O. D., T. R. Moore; O. G., Samuel Cronister; Adj't, W. A. Wisner. Henry Brown Post, 276, Clarksburg-Com.,

W. H. Sturgis; S. V. C., James S. Roth; J. V. C., William J. Gold; Q. M., Jacob Hott; O. D., G.W. Sappington; O. G., W. M. Barnhill; Surg., J. B. Stewart; Chap., H. H. Simpson; Adj't, J. IOWA-

Patriotic exercises were held at the Opera House, Avoca, in honor of Washington's Birthday by U. S. Grant Post and the Avoca Public Schools. Over 400 little school children took part in the program. The affair was a success in every particular.

Corning Post, 259, Corning-Com., E. S. Vernon; S. V. C., W. A. Young; J. V. C., H. Hilbert; Surg., James Church; Adj't, M. Zolles; Chap., E. M. Kepler; Q. M., W. E. Geer; O. D., J. C. Warrington; O. G., D. Rollf.

KENTUCKY .-J. J. Landrum Post, 162, Mt. Olivet-Com., O. S. Deming; S. V. C., Jas. Paynter; J. V. C., J. S. Sprague; Chap., Cyrus Riffle; Q. M., John Barnett; Adj't, C. S. Davis; Surg., M. Throckmorton; O. D., Fred Beihn; S. M., J. W. Linville; O. G., J. F. Powell.

LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI.-Ben Butler Post, 5, Omega, La.-Com., Jas. Clay; Surg., Edmund Terry; Trustee, Turner

MASSACHUSETTS .-Johnson Post, 173, Sturbridge-Com., M. H. Corbin; S. V. C., A. B. Chamberlain; J. V. C., F. Holmes; Adj't, L. B. Chase; Q. M., W. L. D. Lumbard; Surg., L. W. Richards; Chap., A. M. Rice; O. D., E. H. Davenport; O. G., W. L.

MICHIGAN .-Col. C. V. R. Pond, Assistant Adjutant-General of the Department of Michigan, has forwarded to National Headquarters his report for the six months ending Dec. 31 last. The number of Posts in good standing was 382, with 16,096 members; amount expended for relief in 1896 was \$3,001.11. There was a balance of \$9,930.16 in the general Post fund, and \$2,307.80 in the relief fund. The losses for the entire year were as fol-

lows: By death, 343; transfer, 314; honorable discharge, 99; suspension, 1,308. Five Posts modate 10,000 veterans, and will contain all the surrendered their charters. Six new Posts were organized, and nine revived. The gains included 578 new members, 260 by

transfer, and 1,308 by reinstatement of sus-Phil Sheridan Post, 4. Reading-Com., H. H. Weaver; S. V. C., S. Henry; J. V. C.; H. A. Georgo; Surg., J. H. Boyden; O. D., Wm. Holabaugh; O. G., Frank Emery; Adj't, Joseph M.

oughly tile-drained. The tents will be large Waldorf.
"A" tents, in which will be built a matched-Republic Post, 219, Republic-Com., A. W. Grammer; S. V. C., C. N. Pickering; J. V. C., J. E. Decker; Adj't, J. A. Kerr; Q. M., James Watson; Surg., N. Hathaway; Chap., T. F. Criswell; O. D., B. B. Bethel; O. G., C. Thur-

> NEBRASKA.-Past Department Commander A. V. Cole, Juniata, writes: "Your Nebraska correspondent who reported the proceedings of the 21st annual Encampment, in giving the list of Delegates to Buffalo, omitted the name of Comrade E. J. Hanchett, who was elected a Delegate, instead of J. B. Wambaugh, who was chosen an Alternate. Comrade E. J. Hanchett was a member of the 2d N. Y. Cav., and belongs to

Geary Post, 81, Juniata.' George Crook Post, 262, Omaha-Com., Elias Gilmore; S. V. C., J. B. Furay; J. V. C., Geo. R. Rathburn; Adj't, Geo. C. Bonner; Q. M., A. K. Rhoades; Chap., E. P. Pratt; O. D., Thos. L. Hull; O. G., Abram Winegard. Comrade W. S. Askwrit writes that the Post increased 115 in membership during 1896.

Henry Walker Post, 181, Forestport, held its annual Campfire Feb. 2. The attendance showed that the interest in the veterans is far from being on the decline. The number of young people present bore witness that they too are grateful to the defenders. Music helped to enliven the entertainment, and a bountiful supper was served, after which the crowd listened attentively to the remarks made by Rev. T. C. Henderson, who paid a most eloquent tribute to the members of the Grand Army and the cause they so nobly defended. A recitation by Byron E. Cool was much enjoyed by the veterans.

Comrades of Lafayette Post, of New York

City, and their friends were entertained Feb. 19 with a stereopticon exhibition of 100 views of Japan, secured by Comrade Talinski during his travels through that country.

Tuesday evening, Feb. 23, Senior Vice Commander Long, on behalf of Lafayette Post, presented a National flag to the pupils of Rhinelander school, New York City. A large numher of the comrades were present, and much enthusiasm prevailed. Department Commander James S. Graham

the other evening instituted I. F. Quinby l'ost, Monday, Aug. 23-Arrival of Commander- 409, at Rochester. Commanders of several Posts, in-Chief, 8 o'clock a. m. Parade of civic socie- Captains of different Camps, and many ladies were present. These officers were chosen: Com., I. H. Chatfield; S. V. C., Wm. Craig; J. V. C., R. Kingston; Adj't, E. K. Comstock; E. R. Godell; S. M., Charles S. Webb; Q. M. S., of the efforts of 1. H. Chatfield, who withdrew from O'Rorke Post, and with former members of O'Rorke, Marshall and Powers Posts formed ing old soldiers who had never been members of the Order. The charter-list contains 46

Capt. G. M. Smith Post, 201, Goodyear-Com., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

L. A. Goodyear; S. V. C., C. T. Fish; J. V. C.,

and Friday evenings there will be special

events of great attraction, consisting of vocal

Dodd; Chap., E. W. Stark; Adj't, J. G. Crouch; O. D., D. Miles; O. G., J. Britt.

James Price Post, 50, Westerville-Com., D W. Coble; S. V. C., Simeon Chapman; J. V. C. Pearl P. Ingalls; Q. M., H. Warren Phelps; Chap., R. B. Bennett; Surg., H. L. Ferguson O. D., Peter P. Couklin; O. G., Frank F. Smith; Adj't, C. E. Sharp.

PENNSYLVANIA .-Thorp Post, 195, Hawley-Com., S. S. Spears; S. V. C., - Rogers; J. V. C., W. D. Curtis. RHODE ISLAND .-

Department Commander Philip S. Chase has established Headquarters at 124 Washington WISCONSIN .-A. Hamilton Post, Milton-Com., S. Kerns:

Q. M., W. P. Clarke; Surg., A. S. Bullis; Chap., S. Thomas; O. D., J. H. Bullis; O. G., A. W. Crane; Adj't, A. G. D. Burdick. Why keep gaping at the clock, when you can have the time in your pocket that will cost you nothing, except to send

V. C., C. H. Osborn; J. V. C., S. W. Baker;

CORPS. RELIEF

> Gleanings from National Headquarters--Notes from Departments.

> > BEREA COLLEGE.

A Light Set Up On the Summits of Appa lachian America.

To the loyal mountain regions of western Virginia, eastern Tennessee and Kentucky has been given the name of Appalachian America, a name which carries with it a feeling of trust and security. And certainly the dwellers in these regions proved themselves to be freedomloving, courageous and patriotic, not only durng the great civil war but in the crucial period eading up to it.

Madison County, Ky., the County of Daniel Boone, was a storm-center of Kentucky loyalty | and the school was quite prosperous until the

"It is the children of patriots like these who are eager for an education," writes Mrs. Kate E. Putnam, a teacher in Berea College, adding: "One young man walked a hundred miles to reach the college, and two others 75 miles each, the beginning of this term. The mountain girls are just as anxious for an education. We cannot refuse aid to these young Americans, but we must have help. We need 200 men and women who will pledge \$100 each per year for current expenses until we can reach our \$200,000 endowment, of which Dr. Pearson, of Chicago, pledges \$50,000 when the rest has been subscribed. We need \$40 each from every man or woman who would help the college give free scholarships to the sons and daughters of our Nation's heroes. Never was there an institution where money was so judiciously expended, or the returns so great."

The nucleus of Berea College was a free school started by Rev. Mr. Fee in 1855, taught by Wm. E. Lincoln and Otis B. Waters, graduates of Oberlin College. In 1858 Rev. J. A. R. Rogers, also an Oberlin graduate, took charge,



MOUNTAIN BOYS AT COLLEGE.

patriarch of Berea College, founded the co-edu- | College. cational institution which has done such vital work in the development of a free people and is destined to do a still greater work.

Rev. Fee was the son of a slave-holding Presbyterian, who sent his son to college and dedicated him to the ministry; but when that son

in the old abolition days. In that County, | John Brown raid into Virginia stirred up the heart of the Blue Grass region, well back | mob spirit in the South, culminating in rebelamong the hills, on Bean Ridge, Rev. John G. | lion and civil war. In 1865, under a State Fee, a native emancipator and the venerable charter, the school was reopened as Berea

All seemed to be going smoothly enough when the old question of color presented itself in a new form. Berea College had been chartered "to furnish facilities of education to all persons of good moral character," and three colored youths had the temerity to come and insisted that it was a part of Christian duty to ask admission in accordance with this provispreach deliverance to the captives he promptly | ion. The faculty decided they were eligible, Errfield; S. V. C., Phillip Bias; J. V. C., Darb disinherited him and disowned him. In his though they knew what the consequences



A MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

years ago, a condensed account of which may be found by turning to the story of the great apostle in the sixth chapter of Corinthians: In much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in watchings, in fastings,' and so on.

In such spirit Berea College was founded. It was shut up by a mob when the war broke out, and when all was over, reorganized, enlarged and is now gathering into its sheltering folds the children of those so long sitting in darkness and waiting for the light. Its capacity for usefulness is limited only by lack of funds, and now it reaches forth appealing hands to the great rich North for sympathy and support. It is the cry of the Macedonian "Come over and help us."

The strong spirit of Unionism of the Appalachian Americans is fully appreciated by those who served in the ranks. Nearly all were for the Union, and some Counties furnished more volunteers than there were men subject to military duty. They were of old Scotch-Irish ancestry, and the blood of martyrs ran strongly in their veins; but coming in competition as they did with slave labor, with no intercourse with the world outside, and few schools or churches among themselves, they needed the volcanic awakening of civil war to arouse them to a knowledge of the possibilities within them. To-day one-fourth of the adult population cannot read or write; but the children are ambitions and aspiring, and are making every sacrifice to get an education,

The poverty of the mountain people is be yond conception. The majority live in log houses, many of which have no glass windows, while sometimes they have neither doors nor floors; and yet it must be remembered that it



LOYAL SIRES OF BEREA STUDENTS. was this part of the land that held Kentucky to the Union, cut West Virginia from secession. and gave 50,000 fighting men to the armies of

FIRST FLAG ON LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN. It was the 3d Ky., recruited from the mountof the Order. The charter-list contains 46 ain regions, that placed the first flag on Look-names, 17 of which never before appeared on a out Mountain. This flag had been presented to them by the women of Estill County, and Judge Little, in presenting it. said: "Boys, we do not ask you to bring it back the thing of beauty it is to-day, but do not let it trail in the

> dust. The mountain boys were proud to be the owners of that flag, but they thought it too beautiful for everyday use, so they carried it sheathed. But when the battle of Lookout had been fought and our victorious legions bivouacked half way up, Capt. John Wilson somehow thought of that flag, and made up his mind to look it up to blaze the Union victory. The opportunity came soon enough. In the gray morning dawn the Colonel of his regiment

came to him and said : "Capt, Wilson, someone

must scale the mountain there and report the

position of the enemy at the top, if there at all.

If any one undertakes this seemingly impossible feat it will be the mountaineer. Will you detail 15 men and do this duty?" Seiziag the flag, Capt. Wilson said, "Come boys!" and up they started. The pass was so steep that one would get a foothold, then reach back for his comrade's musket, and hold it until he, in turn, could get a foothold and perform a like duty for the comrade behind him. And so they toiled up the supreme hights; and when the sun kissed the valley and wakened Jacquet W. U. V. U. the hosts camped around, it showed them Capt.
Wilson and his mountain boys, as they planted
the flag on the topmost tip of Lookout Mount-

them all for the Union.

preached that gospel, beginning three score | morning the three colored boys walked in half the school walked out. The whole country was excited. New mobs were threatened, and armed rowdies raced through the streets, while a State Superintend-

ent of Public Schools declared, through the ublic print - ... 15 a stench in the nostrils of all true But the discipline Can Ald Them? of war had been in vain, and the soul of old John Brown was in truth marching on. Berea College filled up, grew and prospered. The temporary buildings were outgrown and permanent structures erected. Boys and girls



MRS. KATE. E. PUTNAM.

from all directions came pouring in asking admission. All that is needed now is for Godfearing, patriotic men and women everywhere to lend their influence and their means to build up this noble institution upon the broad foundations laid by its projectors in the old dags of persecution and ostracism, when men and women were hunted like beasts of the forest because they had the courage to assert the great truth of Holy Writ set forth in the Declaration of American Independence, the fathergood of God and the brotherhood of man. The President of Berea College is William

Goodell Frost, Ph. D., a graduate of Oberlin College and a post graduate of Harvard. He has been a student of educational institutions abroad and is a ripe scholar, the author of a Greek text-book and other educational works. He is an evangelist, an orator, and an enthusi-

astic educational leader. In Mrs. Kate E. Putnam, Principal of the Normal Department, the Relief Corps have special interest. She is the widow of Past Department Commander D. C. Putnam, of Ohio. self a teacher before her marriage. In Ohio Relief Corps circles she was also active and energetic, and while serving as Department Instituting and Installing Officer she aided in the institution of 59 Corps, the largest number of the institution of 59 Corps, t ever instituted in Ohlo in a single year. She served on the Department Executive Board, Chairman of the Relief Committee, and Member of the Board of Visitors, W.R.C., of the Ohio Soldiers and Sailers' Home. She has a family of young children, and two years ago, baving lost her property, she resumed her educational work, this time in the institution named. Her whole heart is in the work, and



PRES. FROST. PROF. ROGERS. through her influence several Ohio organizations have taken scholarships in Berea College.

These include Forsythe Corps, Toledo, and Mrs. Putnam is introducing patriotic teaching into her department of college work. She will receive contributions in aid of the college.

DEPARTMENT GENERAL ORDERS. Department President Adelia Hale Conner, of South Dakota, in last General Orders makes a strong appeal on behalf of the introduction of patriotic teaching into the schools, also for the improvement of the Andersonville Prison property, now under the care of the Womans Relief Corps, and boxes for hospital comforts for the invalid veterans of the Soldiers' Home. Head-rests and cushions are in great demand

among the older veterans, and are a great source of comfort to them. South Dakota Corps are working up the "Old Abe" fund, proceeds to be used in building a cottage for dependent wives or mothers of Pictures of "Old Abe," the war eagle, are sold for 25 cents apiece from Department Headquarters, Hot Springs, S. D.

Last General Orders of Department President Helen R. Griffith, of Iowa, report that nearly \$200 has been contributed by Iowa Corps for the Andersonville Prison Improvement fund. This is in response to the action taken at the District Conventions to ask five cents apiece from each member in the Department. Since last General Orders two Corps have been instituted: Perry Wright Corps, Coon Rapids, Mary M. Daily, President, and Andrew Patton Corps, Zearing, Kate L. McGrogan, President. REUNIONS.

Meetings and Other Matters Pertaining to

Various Organizations.

MASSACHUSETTS. Over 60 veterans of the 58th Mass. held a Reunion at the United States Hotel, Boston, Feb. 22; Vice-President T. Albert Taber, presiding. Secretary Arthur Hooper read the following list of members who have died since the last annual meeting: L. D. Munroe, President of the Association; Robert E. Smith, Hiram A. Freeman, John Wilsan, H. M. Whitney, James Francis, and Nathaniel Carver. These officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., Maj. William E. Mason; V.-P., Henry D. White; Sec. and Treas., Arthur Hooper.

Washington's Birthday was appropriately observed by 80 comrades of the 43d Mass, at the American House, Boston. It was the 22d annual Reunion of their association, and President John W. Staniford presided. At the business session these officers were elected : Pres., John Edmunds; V.-Ps., Chas. A. Patch, Irving Emerson, and Thomas Alden; Sec., Luther W.

Bixby; Treas., Albert A. Day. The 42d Mass. Regimental Association held its annual Winter Reunion at the United States Hotel in Boston the other evening, with 75 members in attendance. These officers were elected: Pres., Col. Joseph Stedman; V.-P.'s Capt. Paget and Maj. Stiles; Sec., H. C. Dimond;

Treas., Maj. C. A. Davis. The surviving members of Cos. B, 5th Mass.; F, 50th Mass., and E, 8th Mass., and the Richardson Light Guard Veteran Association held their 12th annual Reunion at Boston, Feb. 25. There were present about 40 members. President Chas. H. Horton presided, and Comrade W. L. Coon officiated as Secretary. Prior to the dinner and social festivities there was a business meeting, at which the following officers were Hodge; Chap., John Conner; Q. M., Henry own State and among his own people Rev. Fee | would be when they made that decision. The elected: Pres., Joseph Morton; V.-P.'s, Dr. Morris P. Wheeler, W. W. Kingman, and Wm. Tyler; Sec., Wm. Conn; Treas., W. D. Deadman.

NEW YORK. The 2d N. Y. S. M. (82d N. Y.) held a regular meeting Feb. 7 in Central Hall, New York City. Everything proceeded with perfect harmony Only one change in the list of officers; namely, Theodore Weberg was elected a Vice-President. A Committee on History is hard at work on a record for the State, and also preparing a report for the Antietam Commissioners. Every member of the association indorses THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE'S Service Pension scheme, especially if a service medal, cast in silver, the size of a dolar, can also be secured. After all business was lisposed of satisfactorily, a very agreeable half-hour was spent by the old boys in social

PENNSYLVANIA. All members of the 49th Pa. who have not received notices from the Regimental Secretary during the past year should write R. S. Westbrook, Altoona, Pa.

REGULARS. Capt. C. O. Palmer, Lock Box 547, Howell, Mich., wishes members of the 12th U.S. H. A. colored, to write him so that arrangements can be made for a Reunion at Buffalo during the

THE QUESTION SQUAD. Veterans Anxious to Find Their Comrades-Who

[Inquiries for the whereabouts of persons will be published in this column once, free, but they can-not appear for some time after receipt, owing to the great number sent us. By watching our Reunion columns during Reunion season the where abouts of Secretaries having regimental rosters may be ascertained, and signed communications will furnish the desired information very fre-

quently.] ILLINOIS .- Of comrades of Thos. P. Price, Co. D. 124th Ill.; by Rebecca O. Price, Centralia, Wash.—Of Wm. Jones, Co. H, 25th Ill., who was discharged at Springfield, Ill., in Fall of 1865; by Thomas W. Bodine, Greeneville, Ky.—Of James Bloom, Co. H, 7th Ill. Cav.; by Thomas Bloom, Warren, Ind.—Of comrades of Edward L. Loveless, Co. K, 3d Ill Cav., and Co. I, 20th Ill.; by Mrs. Mary E. Loveless, Chehalis, Wash.—Of Albert Mickle, who enlisted at Sterling, Ill.; by Mrs. F. Barker, 689 Carroll Ave., Chicago, Ill.—Of Thomas Clark, Co. I. 118th Ill. M't'd Inf.; by Mrs. Thomas Clark, 142 Ross Ave., Dallas, Tex. -Of John Mahaffe, who enlisted at Bloomington, Ill.; by H. S. Hauze, Hazleton, Pa.—
Of Wm. Dines and Wm. Busby, both of Co. E,
12th Ill.; by Wm. Van Winkle, Adjutant, Wm. Haves Post, 264, Callaway, Neb. INDIANA .- Of comrades of William E. T. Bown, Co. G. 21st Ind.; by Mrs. Mary J. Bown,

Ala. - Of comrades who remember Comrade Venter, an unassigned drafted man from the Fourth Congressional District, who was in camp at Indianapolis, Ind.; by Mrs. W. S. Venter, Iowa.-Of Co. K, 29th Iowa; by F. Marion, P. O. Box 177, Columbus Junction, Iowa.

649 Miama Ave., Kansas City, Kan .- Of Co.

D. 4th Ind.; by William Spearman, Branchville

KENTUCKY .- Of Co. C, 1st Ky. Cav., who remember writer being sunstruck July 1, 1864; by P. J. Zachery, care of Post 2, Oakley, Tenn. MASSACHUSETTS .- Of William J. Foley, who enlisted in the 29th Mass., and was afterwards transferred to the 25th Mass.; by Mrs. Lizabeth A. Turner, 29 Temple Place, Boston, Mass. MICHIGAN.-Of Daniel Saliver, Co. C, 22d Mich.; by J. E. James, Pendleton, Ore. Of Colonel of the 10th Mich.; also of officers of Co. K; by H. C. Oakley, Gatlinburg. Tenn.

MISCELLANEOUS. -Of any comrade who was

with writer in October, 1864, when the train was wrecked; by Thomas Evans, Menlo, Iowa. -Of Hugh G. W. Scott, a soldier from Southton, Iowa. Of relatives of James M. Carr. who was killed at the storming of San Antonio; by Mrs. E. S. Jennings, Kent, Conn. Of any comrade at the Headquarters of Gen. Ayers, Petersburg, Va., in August, 1864; by Greenleaf Sweatt, 55 Newbury St., Lawrence, Mass. Of Jeremiah Iams; last heard of in Kansas; by Box 25, Delavan, Minn. NEW YORK .- Of Edward Kerney, Co. I, 10th

N. Y. Cav.; by Oliver Lanning, 51 West Waverly Place, Rochester, N. Y.—Of Co. H. 93d N. Y.; by Henry Lee, National Military Home, Dayton, O.—Of Co. C, 126th N. Y.; by Franeis M. Haynes, Elsie, Mich.—Of James Lawler, Co. K, 13th N. Y. H. A.; by Mrs. A. Lennan, 224 Grand street, Lockport, N. Y.—Of the 20 men who assisted writer to load horse on the steamer George Brooks at Alexandria, Va., in 1863; by Thomas Hanley, Co. A, 18th N. Y. Cav., Tecumseh, Mich. OHIO. -Of relatives of Archibald Kelley, Co.

4, 4th Battalion, Ohio Inf., who died in 1890: by J. H. Ceffman; Commander Ladd, Post, 17, Puyallup, Wash. PENNSYLVANIA.-Of Co. H. 28th Ps., who knew John Jacob Garman; by Mrs. S. A. Garman, Sunbury, Pa.

REGULARS.—Of Battery E, 4th U. S. Art.; by D. H. Reed, Fitzwilliam, N. H.—Of Co. F, 28th U. S., from 1866 to 1869; by William Mc-Coy, Washington C. H., O.—Of Lieut. Wm. Holliner and Lieut. Clark, both of the 13th U. S. C. T.; by George Abernathe, 923 West R. R. street, N. Topeka, Kan.—Of Jacob W. Allen, Co. A, 1st U. S. Cav.; by S. W. Beggs, Holyoke,

FREE TO INVALIB LADIES. I suffered for years with uterine troubles, displacements, leucorrhose and other irregularities, and finally found a safe and simple home treatment that completely cured me without the aid of medical attendance. I will send it free with full instructions and valuable advice to any suffering woman. Address Mas. L. Hudnur, South Bend, Indiana. Mention The National Tribune.

News from Various Divisions --- Elec-

tion of Officers, etc.

Against Consolidation. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I am not in favor of the consolidation of the G.A.R. and S. of V. I can see no good to come from such veterans and their wives at the Soldiers' Home. a union. We have no right to take unto ourselves the glory purchased by our fathers' blood on the field of battle. Daily the veterans are answering the last roll-call, and in 10 years there will be but few left to keep green the memories of heroic deeds. The Sons will then step forward to preserve those memories.-R. H. BEDFORD, Portland, Pa.

THE DIVISIONS.

INDIANA Mill Spring Camp, 35, Zionville-Capt., E. R. Cashion; First Lieut., C. H. Anderson; Second Lieut., I. T. Kinnaman; Chap., W. R. Bailey; First Serg't, W. D. McGuire. Camp Council, W. R. Bailey : J. R. Lee, J. W. Northern. Capt. Cashion writes: "Mill Spring Camp has been struggling for existence for four years, and during that time has been as near dead as alive. We have started again, and there is no telling where we will stop. I have been reading articles from THE NATIONAL TRIB-UNE at every meeting until I have brought the boys together again. They all take a keen interest in the welfare of the Camp. I have to acknowledge that THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE did it, and you may expect a list of subscribers to your valuable paper in the near future."

KANSAS. John A. Anderson Camp, 73, Manhattan, observed Union Defenders' Day with a special program, consisting of music, recitations, etc. The boys are proud of the rating of 99 per cent. given them by the Division Inspector. During the coming year they expect to double their membership.

W. S. Howe Camp, Pittsfield-Capt., H. W. Carr; First Lieut., M. B. White; Second Lieut., H. W. McFarland; Chap., D. S. Tozer; Council,

M. B. White, H. W. McFarland, L. A. White. Anderson Camp. 7, Rockland-Capt., Henry C. Chatto; First Lieut., F. E. Copeland; Second Lieut., A. O. Copeland; Council, Edward K. Gould, A. F. Burton, Frank D. Wardwell. Pascal P. Gilmore Camp, Winterport-Capt., Reed Lowell; First Lieut., Manley Gray; Second Lieut., Wm. G. Heath; Chap., John Ripley; First Serg't, Albert Avery; Council, John Fogg, Manley Gray, Wm. Heath.

MASSACHUSETTS. Francis L. Souther Camp. 27. Quincy-Capt. W. C. Hart; First Lieut., H. H. Marston; Second Lieut., C. A. Anderson; Chap., E. M. Tirrell; First Serg't, A. F. Powell. MICHIGAN.

Vincent Camp, of Big Rapids, observed Union Sons of Veterans was large. MISSOURI. Lincoln Camp, 17, St. Joseph-Capt., F. E.

Lieut., F. W. Philo; First Serg't, T. B. Philo The Camp observed both Union Defenders' Day and Washington's Birthday. NEBRASKA. Division Commander W. H. Davis has estab-

Ernst; First Lieut., F. O. Wolfe; Second

lished Headquarters at Wilber. The fee for Camp charters was reduced from \$20 to \$12 at the Omaha Encampment. Col. H. A. Morrow Camp, 17, Sidney-Capt., Paul R. Borgquist; First Lieut., Walter Nelson; Second Lieut., Thos. Ishmael; Chap., John

Ickes; First Serg't, A. J. Davidson. NEW YORK. George C. Strong Camp, 69, Brooklyn-Capt. Gustav Zimmerman; First Lieut., Benjamin Hammill: Second Lieut., Robert F. Baulser: Chap., C. C. Lewis; First Serg't, R. B. Gee.

PENNSYLVANIA. Col. Owen Jones Camp, 45, Bryn Mawr-Capt., C. P. Baldwin; First Lieut., A. E. Trego; Second Lieut., F. H. Lewis; Chap., H. N. Burling; First Serg't, J. V. Graup. The Camp is uniformed, and has 28 members in good stand-

ing, all armed with breech-loading rifles. Washington's Birthday was appropriately celebrated by members of Camps 8, 25, 61, 121, 169, 250, 270, 294, and M. B. Hughes, 88, in the hall occupied by the latter organization at Shickshinny. Headed by the drum corps of Camp 294 and 50 comrades of the G.A.R., 200 members of the Order paraded through the streets, after which a fraternal meeting and Campfire was held, followed by a banquet. peeches were delivered by Past Capts. T. C. Harter, of Camp 270, Bloomsburg; C. C. Fulton, of 61, Mauch Chunk; Capt. Byron G. Hahn, of 169, Wilkes-Barre, and Judge John T. Howe, of Camp 8, Scranton, who has the distinction of being a veteran and a son of a veteran. It was a most enjoyable event. Excellent vocal music was rendered by Camp 8 Quartet and the Ep-worth Quartet of Shickshinny. The success of the meeting was due to the efforts of Past Capts.

F. W. Briggs, of Camp 88, and W. L. Nash, of Camp 8. Lieut. Ezra S. Griffin Camp, 8, Sons of Veterans, still continues to keep up its record, and its wide-awake members are preparing a reception to the sons of veterans in Scranton who are eligible to membership in the Order, with a view to securing new recruits. This Camp has a drill squad of 40 members, uniformed and equipped, and among other features a press correspondent, who furnishes one of the daily newspapers with a news column devoted to the Sons of Veterans, which has appeared regularly every Saturday afternoon for over 18 months. The Scranton boys are progressive.

Col. O. V. Davis Camp, 25, Cheney—Capt., H. H. Hubbard; First Lieut., Chas. McDowell; Second Lieut., John Lashier. J. C. Fremont Camp, 31, LaConner-Capt., S G. Ball; First Lieut., A. D. Currier; Second Lieut., A. H. Miller; Chap., J. C. Savage; First Serg't, J. M. Parker. Phil Sheridan Camp, 1, Boise City, Idaho-

Capt., H. J. Crabell; First Lieut., W. S. Wesgait; Second Lieut., O. E. Blair; Chap., E. R. Sherman; First Serg't, S. A. Southers; WEST VIRGINIA. The 11th annual Encampment will be held

at Wheeling, May 5 and 6. WISCONSIN. Brother Charles G. Eggleston, Quartermaster-Sergeant of Harrison Camp, 43, Marinette, writes that a new hall has been leased for a

Compliments.

Find inclosed \$1. Please place to my credit, and continue to send me THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE. I did think I would get along without it for a season, but found out, with all the other papers I take (which are many), I could not do without THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE, and I with many other soldiers feel that we are much indebted to you for what you have done for us in the past, and will look forward, with our mark set high, for what we shall expect in the future. Not only do we thank you for as- sight into the merits and workings of the sisting us in the election of Maj. McKinley | Pension Office. There may be others just (one of America's noble sons), but what you as good as Maj. Pickler, but I think none have done for us in assisting us in many ways .- J. M. WEAVER, 27th Ohio, 418 South | know personally that he fought hard and Pulaski street, Baltimore, Md.

M. B. Rupe, Co. K. 17th Ill., Canton, Ill.: THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE is like the family Rible-it has always something grand and true, something good and new. It is no back number, but always up to the times. and vigorous on every question. When it takes a stand it strikes hard.

Accept my appreciation of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE. It is always hailed with a hearty welcome by us. It seems to me that it always takes the right stand on all the important questions of the day, and fearlessly and logically discusses them .- T. J. JOHN- Cav., and I know what I am talking about son, Elm, Mo.

W. L. Nash, Past Captain, Camp 8, Scranton, Pa.: I fully appreciate the good work THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE is doing for the cause of the veteraus, and also the efforts put

New Shrub that Cures Disease. A Strange Botanical product with peculiar effects upon certain Diseases of the Kidneys, Rheumatism. etc.-Free to our Readers.

The discovery of Alkavis, the new product of the Kava-Kava Shrub, or as botanists cail it Piper Methysticum, and the many accounts of its wonderful properties are exciting much attention in medical circles, as well as among sufferers from diseases of the Kidneys. Leading doctors now declare that Alkavis performs its remarkable cures by removing from the blood the uric scid, which is the cause of these diseases. Alkavis also acts directly upon the kidneys and urinary organs, soothing and healing them. It will be remembered that this new remedy was first found in use by the natives of India, where, on the marshes of the Ganges river, they are peculiarly liable to diseases which clog up the kidneys and load the blood with the waste products of the system. White missionaries, soldiers and natives alike suffer. Then when death seems at hand, the native finds in a decoction of the Kava-Kava Shrub the natural remedy which sets the Kidneys in healthy action again, and clears the system of disease. It is this special action on the kidneys which makes the value of this new botanic discovery and has given Alkavis its world-wide reputation.

We are glad to give the record of the following most remarkable cures by this new discovery. The noted Evangelist, Professor Edward S. Fogg, the associate of Talmage, Jones and Moody, so well known for his work in conducting revival and religious meetings over the United States, in the following lines tells the story of his recovery from serious Bladder and Kidney disease, through the wonderful Covington, Ky., Jan. 7, 1897. He says:

"John Wesley once said that the man who dis-covered a Remedy for Disease and did not make it known to the world merited condign punishment. I believe I have found a Remedy for Kidney disease in the new discovery, Alkavis. I have used it but little over a month, and I am in better health to-day than for years previously. It has been matter of remark to my friends of the wonderful improvement of my condition in the last few weeks, and I ascribe it entirely to Alkavis. You know how much I suffered, and the very bad condition of my Kidneys and Bladder, all of which has now happily passed away under the use of this great remedy."

Very truly yours, EDWARD S. FOGG.

The following letter from Mr. F. Starkweather, of Hayesville, Iowa, well shows that Alkavis cures even in Bright's Disease and in the worst forms of Kidney disease. He writes: "I feel in duty bound to humanity to let you know what Aikavis has done for me. I have been troubled with Kidney complaint for six years. I have tried a number of different school doctors with only part relief. Two years ago this spring I was taken with bleeding from my Kidneys and Urinary Organs so bad that what passed in my water would settle from three-fourths to one inch of clotted blood in the vessel. My friends thought I could live but a short time. I sent for Alkavis, and it has done me more good than all the doctors and other medicines combined. I would have been in my grave long ago if it had not been for Alkavis. I am fifty-six years old, and I am sure I owe my life to you."

Mr. R. C. Wood, a prominent attorney of Lowell, Indiana, was cured of Rheumatism, Kidney and Bladder disease of ten years standing by Alkavis. Mr. Wood describes himself as Defenders' Day with appropriate exercises. The attendance of G.A.R. men and friends of the home physicians without the least benefit, and finally completely cured in a few weeks by Alkavis. The testimony is undoubted and

really wonderful. The venerable Mr. Jos. W. Whitten, of Wolfboro, New Hampshire, gratefully writes of his cure of Dropsy, swelling of the feet, and Kidney and Bladder disease by this new remedy. He writes:

"After suffering two years with Urinary and Bladder trouble I sent for Alkavis, and it helped me very much. I am eighty-five years old and my blood and circulation were so poor that my feet and limbs would swell very badly. Since tak-ing Alkavis my blood is in a healthy condition and my feet and limbs do not trouble me by swelling. I was very thin, but now I weigh one hundred and thirty-six pounds. can truly say that

lkavis was a great Wolfboro, New blessing to me, and I can recommend it faithfully." Rev. Albert R. Richardson, D. D., paster of the First Methodist Church, of Hoboken, New Jersey, writes of the recovery of his daughter from an apparently incurable case of Bright's Disesse through Alkavis. Rev. W. B. Moore, D. D., of Washington, D. C., Editor of the Religious World, writes of his own cure of Rhenmatic and Kidney disorders through Alkavis. Rev. John H. Watson, of Sunset, Texas, a minister of the gospel of thirty years' service, was struck down at the post of duty by Kidney disease. After hovering between life and death for two months, and all his doctors having



her of most severe Kidney and Blad-der disease of eight years standing, after three dectors had failed. Mrs. James Young, of Kent, Ohio, writes that she had tried six doctors in valu, that she was about to give up in de-spair, when she found Aikavis, and

Mrs. L. D. Fegely, Lancaster, Ills. Mrs. Alice Evans, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Mary A. Layman, of Neel, West Va., twenty years a sufferer; Mrs. Sarah Vunk, Edinboro, Pa.; Mrs. L. E. Copeland, Elk River, Minn., and many other ladies join in testifying to the wonderful curative powers of Alkavis, in Kidney and allied diseases, and other troublesome afflictions peculiar to womanhood.

Mr. J. R. Burke, of Clarendon, Arkansas, testifies
to his cure of Bright's Disease by Alkavis. He

writes:

"I desire to give credit to whom credit is due. In February, 1894, I was taken with Kidney trouble and my urine was of a very dark color and heavy brick dust deposits. I was confined to my room ten weeks with constant attention of two physicians, who at last pronounced my case Bright's Disease and incurable. I was advised by a friend to try Alkavis, which I dtd. I was able to work in the yard in a week, and now I am as well as I have been in five years."

While Alkavis is well-known in Europe, its only

While Alkavis is well-known in Europe, its only importers in this country so far are The Church Kidney Cure Company, No. 418 Fourth Avenue. New York. They are so anxious to introduce Al-kavis and prove its great value that they will send free one Large Case, prepaid, by mail, to Every Reader of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE who suffers ceive the Large Case by mail free. To prove its wonderful curative power, it is sent to you en-

PENSION COMMISSIONER.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I wish to sound my bugle, through THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, in favor of my friend and comrade, the Hon. J. A. Pickler, for Commissioner of Pensions. He is the soldiers' friend, and will do his best to give us all justice, and his being Chairman of the Pension Committee has given him a good inmore competent or more deserving, as I long for our rights in this hot-bed of Populism, and although we were practically beaten here, much is due in the way of credit to him for the hot shot he fired into the ranks of the enemy prior to our election in South Dakota.-CHARLES VIALL, Co. A, 141st Pa. Armour, S. D.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I wish to second the nomination of Maj. John A. Pickler, of South Dakota, for Commissioner of Pensions. I know Comrade Pickler personally. We both belonged to Co. D, 3d Iows I hope he will get there.-WM. HESSE, Co. D, 3d Iowa Cav., St. Mary's, Kan.

Remember we give a good stem-win and stem-set watch free to every one who forth in behalf of the Sons of Veterans, and | will raise a club of only three yearly subas a Son wish to express my thanks for the scribers to THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE at \$1

